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The Secretary of State is the chief election officer for the State of Texas. The Secretary of State's Elections Division provides assistance and advice to election officials on the proper conduct of elections schools, providing calendars, ballot certification, primary election funding, and legal interpretations of election laws to election officials. We also provide assistance to the general public on voter registration and other election issues through our 1-800 toll-free number, 1-800-252-VOTE (8683), and via the Internet. The Elections Division administers and maintains the Texas Election Administration Management (TEAM) System, which is an online, HAVA compliant, voter registration application designed for country officials to maintain accurate and efficient voter registration rolls. Currently, over 200 countries utilize the TEAM application to maintain their daily voter registration requirements. The remaining countries comply with current state and HAVA requirements by updating the state database on a daily basis through a file transfer.

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Photo ID required for Texas Voters

You must now present one of the following forms of photo ID when voting in person:

- Texas driver license issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS)
- ★ Texas Election Identification Certificate issued by DPS



- ★ Texas personal identification card issued by DPS
- ★ Texas license to carry a handgun issued by DPS
- ★ United States military identification card containing your photograph
- **★** United States citizenship certificate containing your photograph
- **★** United States passport

With the exception of the U.S. citizenship certificate, the identification must be current or have expired no more than 60 days before being presented for voter qualification at the polling place.

Exemptions - Voters with a disability may apply with the county voter registrar for a **permanent exemption**. The application must contain written documentation from either the U.S. Social Security Administration evidencing he or she has been determined to have a disability, or from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs evidencing a disability rating of at least 50 percent. In addition, the applicant must state that he or she has no valid form of photo identification. Those who obtain a disability exemption will be allowed to vote by presenting a voter registration certificate reflecting the exemption. Please contact your voter registrar for more details.

Voters who have a consistent **religious objection** to being photographed and voters who do not have any valid form of photo identification as a result of certain natural disasters as declared by the President of the United States or the Texas Governor, may vote a provisional ballot, appear at the voter registrar's office within six (6) calendar days after election day, and sign an affidavit swearing to the religious objection or natural disaster, in order for your ballot to be counted. Please contact your county voter registrar for more details.



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Acceptable IDs

There are 7 forms of acceptable ID:

- Texas driver license issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS)
- Texas Election Identification Certificate issued by DPS
- Texas personal identification card issued by DPS
- Texas handgun license issued by DPS
- United States military identification card containing the person's photograph
- United States citizenship certificate containing the person's photograph
- United States passport.



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Expiration Dates

An acceptable identification must not have expired more than 60 days before being presented at the polling place, but for the following:

- <u>Texas Identification Cards</u> for persons aged 60 or older may be permanent and marked "INDEF."
- Texas Election Identification Certificates (EIC) for persons aged 70 or older are permanent cards.
- Some military ID cards are permanent, including Uniformed Services ID cards and Veterans Affairs ID cards. These are usually marked "INDEF."
- Certificates of Naturalization and Certificates of Citizenship do not expire.

